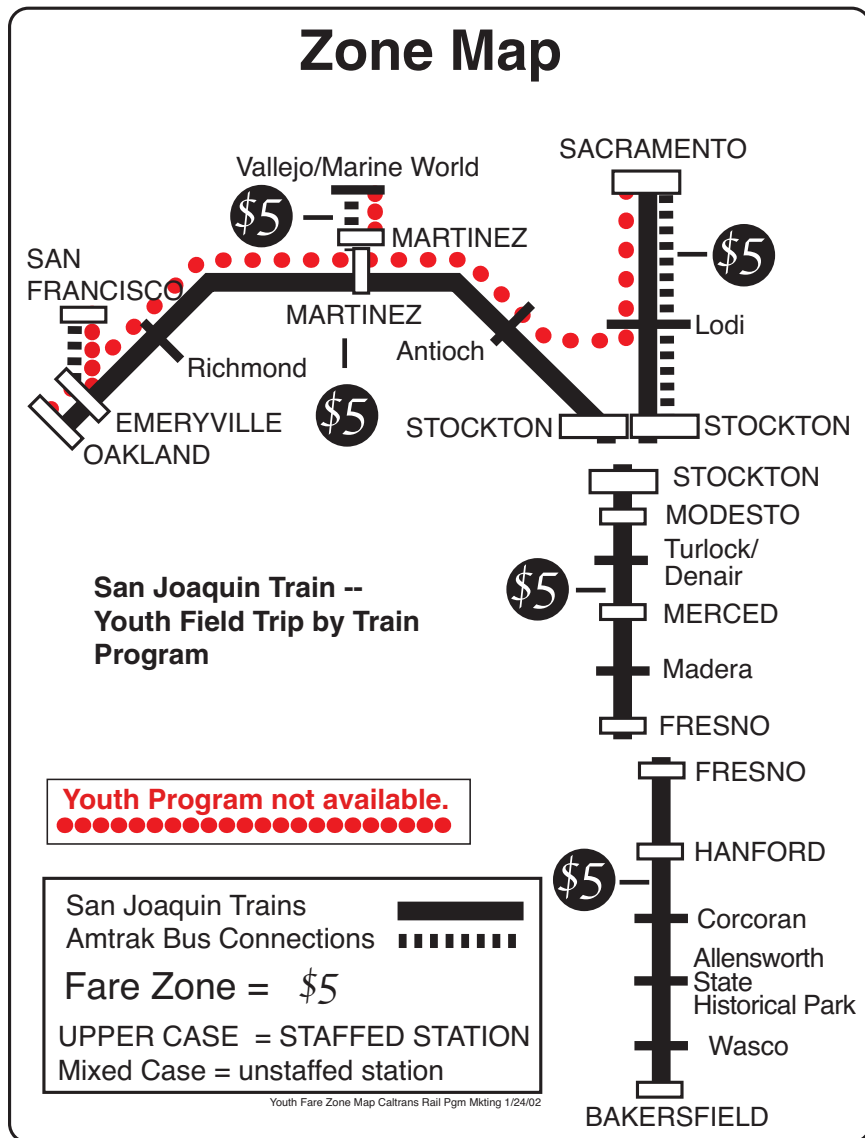


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SOUTHBOUND SCHEDULE

OAKLAND - EMERYVILLE - SACRAMENTO - STOCKTON - MERCED - BAKERSFIELD

(See inside back cover for northbound trains)

	Read down			D – Departs		A - Arrives	
	702	712	714	716	704	718	
OAKLAND – JACK LONDON SQUARE		7:25 a	10:00 a	1:00 p		5:45 p	D
EMERYVILLE – San Francisco (See Bus Schedule A*)		7:33	10:08	1:08		5:53	A
EMERYVILLE – San Francisco (See Bus Schedule A*)		7:35	10:10	1:10		5:55	D
Richmond		7:45	10:20	1:20		6:05	D
MARTINEZ – Marine World (See Bus Schedule B*)		8:15	10:50	1:50		6:35	A
MARTINEZ – Marine World (See Bus Schedule B*)		8:18	10:53	1:53		6:38	D
Antioch		8:42	11:17	2:17		7:02	D
STOCKTON (735 S. San Joaquin St.) (See also Bus Schedule C*)		9:16	11:48	2:52		7:33	A
STOCKTON (735 S. San Joaquin St.) (See also Bus Schedule C*)		9:20	11:52	2:56		7:37	D
SACRAMENTO (Also see Bus Schedule C*)	6:35 a	---	---	---	4:25 p	---	D
Lodi (See also Bus Schedule C*)	7:15	---	---	---	5:05	---	D
Stockton – ACE Station (Aurora & Weber Streets)	7:30	---	---	---	5:20	---	D
MODESTO	8:04	9:49	12:21 p	3:25	5:54	8:10	D
Turlock / Denair	8:23	10:03	12:35	3:38	6:07	8:24	D
MERCED	8:46	10:31	12:59	4:03	6:31	8:51	D
Madera	9:17	11:02	1:36	4:39	7:07	9:23	D
FRESNO	9:46	11:31	2:06	5:06	7:36	9:51	A
FRESNO	9:50	11:35	2:10	5:10	7:40	9:55	D
HANFORD	10:23	12:11 p	2:48	5:46	8:16	10:28	D
Corcoran	10:39	12:27	3:04	6:02	8:32	10:44	D
Allensworth (See **NOTE below)	10:55	12:45	3:20	6:20	8:45	11:00	--
Wasco	11:15	12:55	3:37	6:36	9:03	11:15	D
BAKERSFIELD	11:58 a	1:46 p	4:16 p	7:21 p	9:43 p	11:56	A

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*Bus schedules are on the last page of this booklet

****NOTE:** This is a special stop for groups with advanced reservations only – times are approximate

NORTHBOUND SCHEDULE

BAKERSFIELD - MERCED - STOCKTON - SACRAMENTO - EMERYVILLE - OAKLAND

(See inside front cover for southbound trains)

	Read down			D – Departs		A - Arrives	
	711	701	713	715	717	703	
BAKERSFIELD	4:55 a	7:15 a	10:15 a	1:15 p	3:45 p	5:40 p	D
Wasco)	5:22	7:42	10:42	1:42	4:12	6:07	D
Allensworth (See **NOTE below)	5:40	8:00	10:55	2:00	4:30	6:25	--
Corcoran	5:54	8:14	11:18	2:18	4:48	6:43	D
HANFORD	6:12	8:32	11:36	2:36	5:06	7:01	D
FRESNO	6:46	9:06	12:16 p	3:16	5:46	7:40	A
FRESNO	6:50	9:10	12:20	3:20	5:50	7:44	D
Madera	7:11	9:34	12:41	3:41	6:11	8:05	D
MERCED	7:45	10:08	1:20	4:19	6:49	8:37	D
Turlock / Denair	8:06	10:34	1:42	4:41	7:12	9:02	D
MODESTO	8:23	10:49	1:57	4:46	7:27	9:18	D
Stockton – ACE Station (Aurora & Weber Streets)	---	11:20	---	---	---	9:50	D
Lodi (See also Bus Schedule C*)	---	11:34	---	---	---	10:04	D
SACRAMENTO (See also Bus Schedule C*)	---	12:30 p	---	---	---	11:00	A
STOCKTON (735 S. San Joaquin St.) (See also Bus Schedule C*)	8:54		2:26	5:26	8:01		A
STOCKTON (735 S. San Joaquin St.) (See also Bus Schedule C*)	8:58		2:30	5:30	8:05		D
Antioch	9:33		3:05	6:01	8:36		A
MARTINEZ – Marine World (See Bus Schedule B*)	10:02		3:33	6:27	9:00		D
MARTINEZ – Marine World (See Bus Schedule B*)	10:05		3:36	6:30	9:03		D
Richmond	10:32		4:03	6:58	9:31		D
EMERYVILLE – San Francisco (See Bus Schedule A*)	10:55		4:25	7:25	10:00		A
EMERYVILLE – San Francisco (See Bus Schedule A*)	10:55		4:25	7:25	10:00		D
OAKLAND – JACK LONDON SQUARE	11:05		4:35 p	7:35 p	10:10		A

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BUS SCHEDULES

NOTE> Please read “A Couple of Important Exceptions” on page 3 of the program booklet.

BUS SCHEDULE A – SAN FRANCISCO / EMERYVILLE

South - Read down

D – Departs

A – Arrives

North - Read Up

714	716	718				711	713	715
8:40 am	11:50 am	4:50 pm	D	San Francisco – Caltrain Depot	A	11:45 am	5:35 pm	8:30 pm
---	---	4:55	D	San Francisco – Moscone Center	D	11:40	---	---
9:10	12:15	4:40	D	San Francisco – Pier 39	D	11:35	5:55	8:10
9:30	12:30	5:00	D	SAN FRANCISCO – FERRY BUILDING	D	11:25	5:00	8:00
10:00 am	1:00 pm	5:30 pm	A	EMERYVILLE	D	11:00 am	4:30 pm	7:30 pm

BUS SCHEDULE B – MARTINEZ / SIX FLAGS MARINE WORLD

South - Read down

D – Departs

A – Arrives

North - Read Up

716	718				711
12:55 pm	5:25 pm	D	Six Flags Marine World	A	10:35 am
1:35 pm	6:10 pm	A	MARTINEZ	D	10:15 am

BUS SCHEDULE C – SACRAMENTO / STOCKTON

South - Read down

D – Departs

A – Arrives

North - Read Up

712	714	716	718			711	713	715	717
8:15 am	10:25 am	1:50 pm	6:30 pm	D	SACRAMENTO	A	9:50 am	3:20 pm	6:20 pm
---	---	---	---	D	Sacramento State Capitol	D	9:45	3:15	6:15
---	11:05	2:10 pm	---	D	Lodi	D	9:25	2:45	5:45
---	---	---	---	D	STOCKTON ACE	D	9:15	2:35	5:35
9:05 am	11:35 am	2:40 pm	7:20 pm	A	STOCKTON (735 S. San Joaquin St.)	D	9:00 am	2:30 pm	5:30 pm

STUDY GUIDE

Here's something to help you find a destination related to a particular field of study. The Destination Guide also includes the related letter designation(s) next to each city and the locations.

Agriculture (AG)

Allensworth
Lodi
Martinez
Sacramento

Art(A)

Antioch
Fresno
Oakland
Richmond
Sacramento
San Francisco

Cultural Studies(C)

Allensworth
Bakersfield
Fresno
Hanford
Lodi
Richmond
Sacramento

Entertainment (E)

Bakersfield
Hanford
Marine World (Martinez)
Sacramento
Pier 39 (San Francisco)

Government (G)

Allensworth
Sacramento

History (H)

Allensworth
Bakersfield
Fresno
Hanford
Lodi
Martinez
Merced
Oakland
Richmond
Sacramento

Science (S)

Bakersfield
Fresno
Merced
Oakland
Richmond
Sacramento
San Francisco

Technology (T)

Fresno
Merced
Sacramento
San Francisco

DESTINATION GUIDE

Several venues offer special discounts and some are only open during a part of the program period – you are encouraged to call them for details before planning your trip.

Need transportation to and from the station once you reach your desired destination? Some school districts may be able to meet your need using their buses with certain limitations. Ask your transportation director or call the school district at your destination for more information.

Check the Study Guide on the preceding page for information about the letter symbols after each destination.

ALLENSWORTH (AG)(C)(G)(H)

Allensworth is an unstaffed conditional stop for the *San Joaquins*, meaning the trains will only stop to discharge or pick up groups with advance reservations. It does not have a shelter, telephone or other services, and is located about thirty miles north of Wasco.

Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park is a portion of the original town of Allensworth, founded in the early 1900s as a farming community for former black slaves. The preserved townsite features 9 restored buildings, including a schoolhouse, a hotel, and several homes. A visitor center offers a short film about Allen Allensworth and the town he founded, and there are picnic facilities, restrooms and drinking water adjacent to the center. The townsite is one of only three such sites in the United States, and the only one in the western United States. It will provide a rich cultural experience for all schools and youth groups.

Rededication Day (October 12, 2002) is held each year to renew the commitment to the park and its symbolic representation of self-determination for all African Americans in the areas of education and economic development. Activities include self-guided tours and special living history programs. Black History Month (February) will also be observed with special programs.

Groups are encouraged to contact Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park at (661) 849-3433 to reserve a date for a visit and to arrange a guided tour.

ANTIOCH (A)

The **Antioch** Amtrak station is unstaffed, located at the end of I Street in downtown Antioch close to a large fishing wharf and restaurant.

Antioch is served by **Tri-Delta Transit**. Call them for schedules,

fares and group travel information by bus at **(925) 754-4040**.

The **Antioch Lynn House Gallery (A)**, located across from the station at 809 First Street, operates on limited hours and days. It hosts new exhibits every couple of months and features a wide variety of artists, media and styles. Beginning September 7 through October 26 the gallery will feature a solo exhibit by Warren Dreher, and the “Comfort and Joy” quilt exhibit will be at the gallery between November 9 and December 28. Admission to the gallery is free, but advance group arrangements are encouraged. Call **(925) 779-7018**.

For more information about other attractions and special events, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(925) 757-1800**.

BAKERSFIELD (C)(E)(H)(S)

The **Bakersfield** Amtrak station is the southern terminus for *San Joaquin* train service. This spacious and ultra-modern station was opened July, 2000, and is located at 601 Truxtun Avenue. The station is fully staffed and **Golden Empire Transit (GET)**, which serves the greater Bakersfield area, stops nearby. Call them for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their system at **(661) 869-2438**.

The **Bakersfield Centennial Garden & Convention Center (E)** is located a few blocks from the station. It is the largest and most versatile event facility in the Southern San Joaquin Valley. It features a variety of exhibits, concerts, sporting and theatrical events throughout the year. Admission fees vary with event. For upcoming event information call **(661) 852-7777** or visit their website at **www.centennialgarden.com**.

The **Buena Vista Museum of Natural History (C)(H)(S)** concentrates on paleontological history, housing the largest display of marine fossil mammals in North America, as well as other animals, plants and Native American artifacts. Hands-on activities and docent-guided tours are available. The museum is located within a fifteen-minute walk from the station at 2018 Chester Avenue. An admission fee is charged and reservations are required for tours. **(661) 324-6350**.

The **Kern County Museum & Lori Brock Children’s Discovery Center (C)(H)** is about a 20-minute walk north of the station at 3801 Chester Avenue on 16 park-like acres of land. It includes a

main museum building and more than 50 historic buildings representing different aspects of the county's history. There is an admission fee. Call **(661) 852-5000** for more information. For more information about other attractions and special events in Bakersfield, call the **Convention & Visitors Bureau** at **(661) 325-5051** or visit their website at www.bakersfieldcvb.org.

CORCORAN

The **Corcoran** Amtrak station is an unstaffed stop located at the junction of Otis and Whitley Avenues in Central Corcoran. There are no ticket sales — the nearest station offering these services is in Hanford.

While the station is not staffed by Amtrak, **Corcoran Area Transit (CAT)** has an office there. CAT provides limited public transportation from the station to locations within the city. Advance arrangements are required for transportation of groups of 16 or more persons — Call them at **(559) 992-2177**.

For more information about attractions and special events in the city, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(559) 992-4514** or visit their website at www.corcoranchamber.com.

DENAIR – See TURLOCK/DENAIR

EMERYVILLE

The **Emeryville** Amtrak station, at 5885 Landregan Street, is across the tracks from Emeryville's Public Market, and is served by **Emery-Go-Round (510) 451-3862** or www.emerygoround.com and **AC Transit (510) 817-1717** or www.actransit.org. Emeryville is a staffed Amtrak station, and it is the transfer point for Amtrak motorcoaches to several San Francisco stops, including Pier 39, the Ferry Building, and the downtown theatre area. The Amtrak motorcoaches also provide direct service from Emeryville to other major San Francisco attractions, such as the zoo, De Young Museum, Golden Gate Park and Exploratorium for an additional fee. Ask the Amtrak Group Desk operator for details. Also see the listing in this guide for **San Francisco** for more information about the attractions there.

Emeryville features a picturesque wharf walk and nearby park as a relaxing destination. The Public Market features ethnic foods and wares. Both are within walking distance of the station.

For more information about other attractions and special events in Emeryville, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(510) 652-5223** or visit their website at www.emeryvillechamber.com.

FRESNO (A)(C)(H)(S)(T)

The **Fresno** Amtrak station is fully staffed and is located at Q Street near Tulare Street. The city transit system is **Fresno Area Express (FAX)** and it stops across the street from the station. Call them for schedules, fares and group travel arrangements at **(559) 498-1122**.

Located about 3 blocks from the station at 2430 Fresno Street is the historic **Water Tower Visitor Center (H)**. It's a unique place to take a group for a field trip to learn about Fresno's history and see the inner workings of a 19th century city water tower. It is handicap accessible and admission is free. The adjacent courtyard is perfect for sack lunch dining. Reservations are required for narrated tours. Call **(559) 237-0988**.

The **Fresno Metropolitan Museum (A)(S)(T)** is located about a fifteen-minute walk from the station at 1555 Van Ness Avenue.

"Springs, Sprockets and Pulleys" (September 14 through November 10) features mechanical sculptures of Steve Gerberich constructed from materials such as old machine parts, kitchen utensils, pieces of furniture and other items. They offer a unique and fun way to interact with contemporary sculpture and explore the principles of simple mechanical motion. Admission fee.

Other exhibits include the art of Edward Hopper ("Urban Realism in America") January 16, 2003 through March 18; and "From Mickey to the Grinch: The Art of the Animated Film" February 7, 2003 through May 3.

In addition to visiting science and art exhibits, the museum is the permanent location for the Saroyan Gallery and the Reeves Exploration Center. The Saroyan Gallery is a permanent exhibit that explores the life of Fresno's William Saroyan, one of America's most extraordinary writers and winner of the Pulitzer Prize and an Academy Award. The Reeves Exploration Center features nearly 60 hands-on science stations with exhibitions on electricity, the human body, physics, color, light and sound — enough to spark the imagination of any young scientist.

Advanced reservations are required and there is an admission fee. For group tours and more information, call **(559) 441-1444, extension 224** or visit their website at www.fresnomet.org.

Arte Americas (A) is located across the street from the Metropolitan Museum. It features a variety of creations by Hispanic artists. Advanced reservations are required for tours and there is an admission fee. Call **(559) 266-2623** for more information.

The **Potter's Studio (A)** is a working pottery factory and gallery located across from the station. The studio manufactures pottery of all sizes for worldwide markets. Guided tours feature a demonstration of pottery making, including a visit to a walk-in kiln. An admission fee is charged and advanced reservations are required. Call **(559) 266-5508**.

Across the street from the Potter's Studio is the **Meux Home Museum (C)(H)**, a Victorian home built in 1889 by Dr. T.R. Meux. It has been restored with furnishings and equipment that depict early Fresno family life. The museum is only open for group tours during weekdays with advanced reservations and there is an admission fee. Picnic facilities are available. Call **(559) 233-8007** for more information.

For information about other attractions and special events, contact the Water Tower Visitor Center at **(559) 237-0988**.

HANFORD (C)(E)(H)

The **Hanford** Amtrak station is located at 432 W. Seventh Street. A recent renovation to this 100-year old station resulted in a new waiting room, ticket offices for Amtrak and Orange Belt Stages bus line with connections to Greyhound, a small snack bar, and offices of the Hanford Chambers of Commerce and the Hanford Visitor Agency. The station is also the transfer point for all **Kings Area Regional Transit (KART)** buses. Call them for schedule and route information at **(559) 584-0101**.

Hanford features an historic district which includes The Historic Carousel, the Taoist Temple and Museum in China Alley, The Bastille, Old Court House, and Carnegie Museum. You can also visit Superior Dairy, Fort Roosevelt and Adventure Park. With advance reservations, groups can be met at the station by Freddy the 1950 Studebaker and Freda the 1937 Studebaker, two converted fire trucks that will transport groups to their destinations within the city.

Groups are encouraged to contact the Hanford Visitor Agency at (559) 582-5024 for complete information about attractions in Hanford and to reserve a date. The Visitor Agency provides "one-stop service" for arranging your visit to their city. Visit their web site at www.visithanford.com.

LODI (AG)(C)(H)

The **Lodi** Amtrak stop is located at the Lodi Transportation Center at 24 South Sacramento Street. It is a stop for 4 San Joaquin daily trains and Amtrak motorcoaches between the Sacramento and Stockton Amtrak stations connecting with 8 additional San Joaquin daily trains at Stockton. The Lodi station is served by **City of Lodi Transit**. Call them for schedule and route information at **(209) 333-6806**

or visit their website at **www.cityoflodi.gov**. Advance reservations are required for them to provide buses large enough to carry groups of 20 or more.

The **San Joaquin Historical Museum (AG)(C)(H)** is a local history and agricultural museum covering more than 15 acres with a collection of more than 15,000 items of historical interest. It focuses on the San Joaquin history with an emphasis on agriculture. Major exhibits include a variety of farm implements manufactured or used in the county for farming, the viticulture and wine making industry, and for reclamation of the Delta. Other exhibits include a textile area depicting early spinning, weaving, quilting and basket weaving techniques; Native American collections with an emphasis on the local Miwok and Yokuts tribes; the Weber Family Collection (founders of Stockton and San Joaquin County); and the James Clark Tractor Collection. Also available for visits is a one-room schoolhouse, an authentic blacksmith shop, and the Walled Garden and Sunshine Trail, featuring native plants found throughout California. Reservations are required. The museum is not within walking distance of the Amtrak station. Call **(209) 331-2055** for more information and details about the Festival of Trees in December and Springtime on the Farm in May – complete with mule rides, butter churning and a taste of Central Valley farming life in the early 1900s.

For information about other attractions and special events, contact the **Conference & Visitors Bureau** at **(800) 798-1810** or visit their website at **www.visitlodi.com**.

MADERA

Amtrak's **Madera** station is located a few miles outside of town. The station is unstaffed, and the nearest staffed station where tickets may be purchased is Fresno. The Madera station is served by **Madera Area Express (MAX)** upon request and, with advance reservations, they can provide buses large enough to accommodate groups of 20 or more. Call them at **(559) 661-7435** for more information.

For more information about attractions and special events in Madera, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(559) 673-3563** or visit their website at **www.maderachamber.com**.

MARTINEZ (AG)(H)(E)

The **Martinez** Amtrak station is one of the busiest stations in northern California, visited by 34 passenger trains each day. The modern station opened August 2001 and is the newest station on the San Joaquin route. It is a fully staffed Amtrak station and it is the transfer point for nonstop Amtrak motorcoach service to the main gate of **Six**

Flags Marine World. There is a large waterfront park and picnic area across the tracks at Ferry Street near the station.

Martinez is the home of the **John Muir National Historical Site (AG)(H)**, an 8.8-acre park which includes the Muir residence. Tours and programs are available with advance reservations and there is an admission fee. It is not within walking distance of the station. For more information, call **(925) 228-8860** or visit www.nps.gov/jomu.

Six Flags Marine World (E) offer group discount tickets at substantial savings. Call the park at **(707) 644-4000** for group ticket information and a schedule of operating dates and times or visit their website at www.sixflags/parks/marineworld.

Martinez and the surrounding areas are served by the **County Connection Transit Service**. The service stops regularly at the station and at the Muir site. Call them for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their system at **(925) 676-7500** or visit www.cccta.org.

For more information about other attractions and special events in Martinez, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(925) 228-2345** or visit www.martinezchamber.com.

MERCED(H)(S)(T)

The **Merced** Amtrak station, located at 324 W. 24th Street, is fully staffed. Merced and the surrounding areas are served by **VIA Adventures**. VIA has full size motorcoaches (47 passengers) and mini buses (21 passengers) available for charter. VIA also provides group transportation between the Merced Amtrak station and Castle area attractions. Advanced reservations are required – call VIA at **(800) 842-5463**. You must have available your travel date, train time, and number of passengers traveling. For more information, visit the website at www.via-adventures.com.

The Castle area attractions are:

- ♦ The **Castle Air Museum (H)(S)**, featuring more than 45 historic military aircraft displayed outdoors on 18 acres of park-like setting, with an indoor museum, gift shop, restaurant and outdoor picnic area. Guided tours (1_ hours in length) are available. Reservations are required and there is an admission fee. Call **(209) 723-2178** or visit www.elite.net/castle-air.
- ♦ The **Challenger Learning Center (S)(T)**, located adjacent to the air museum, offering **Challenger Space Missions**, a

unique classroom experience in a simulated space mission with accompanying curriculum and teacher's guides; **The Castle Science and Technology Center**, the newest addition to the Castle complex (opened August 2001), with demonstrations and exhibits and a 2500 square foot exhibit from Lawrence Hall of Science at UC Berkeley comparing the science and technology of 1492 and today; and the **Starlab Planetarium**, with a variety of programs that explore the stars and planets. Reservations for all attractions are required and there are fees charged. Call **(209) 726-0296** or visit their website at www.challengersjv@mcoe.org.

You CAN visit **Yosemite National Park (H)(S)** in a day, using **Amtrak's Yosemite National Park Connection** (VIA Adventures) which daily departs from the Merced station. Educational films on the history of Yosemite are available through VIA. All of the motorcoaches are VCR equipped. Drivers will give a narration along the route. VIA can also provide a stimulating multiple-choice quiz about the park for students upon request. Box lunches are available for a nominal fee. Advanced reservations are required and group rates are available. For more information and reservations, call **(800) 842-5463**.

For more information about other attractions and special events in Merced, call the **Convention & Visitors Bureau** at **(800) 446-5353** or visit their website at www.yosemite-gateway.org.

MODESTO

The **Modesto** Amtrak station is fully staffed and is served by **Modesto Area Express (MAX)**. Call them for schedules, fares and group travel information on their system at **(209) 521-1274** or visit their website at www.modestoareaexpress.com.

For information about attractions and special events in the city, contact the **Convention and Visitors Bureau** at **(209) 571-6480** or visit their website at www.modestocvb.org.

OAKLAND (A)(H)(S)

The **Oakland** Amtrak station is located about two blocks south of Jack London Square at the foot of Broadway. The station is staffed and tickets may be purchased there. Oakland is served by an extensive public transportation system. **BART** provides subway-type service and **AC Transit** provides bus service. Call AC Transit at **(510) 839-2882** or BART at **(510) 465-2278** for schedules, fares and group travel information on their systems.

The **USS Potomac (H)**, often referred to as the "Floating White House," is a large vessel moored at Jack London Square, just a few

blocks from the station. Dockside tours and short excursions are available for a fee. Advance group reservations are required. For more information, call **(510) 627-1215** or visit their website at www.usspotomac.org.

The **Oakland Museum of California (A)(H)(S)** is a regional museum featuring the ecology, history and art of California. There is a group admission fee and advance reservations are required. Call the museum for more information at **(510) 238-3514** or visit www.museumca.org. The best way to reach the museum is to leave the train at **Richmond** instead of Oakland and take the Fremont **BART** train to the **Lake Merritt** station. The museum is only a 1.5 blocks from the BART station.

The **Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA) (A)** is a unique art museum featuring interactive art exhibits. There is a group admission fee for the hands-on workshop, but admission to the gallery is free. Reservations are required. Call the museum for more information at **(510) 465-8770**, or see their website at www.mocha.org. The best way to reach the museum is to leave the train at **Richmond** instead of Oakland and take the Fremont or San Francisco **BART** train to the **12th Street/Civic Center** station. The museum is located at 538 9th Street, only a few blocks away from the BART station.

For more information about other attractions and special events in Oakland, call the **Visitor and Convention Bureau** at **(510) 839-9000** or visit their website at www.oaklandcvb.com.

RICHMOND (A)(H)(S)

The **Richmond** Amtrak station is an unstaffed multimodal train station and it was enlarged and remodeled during the summer of 2001. In addition to serving trains, it is the Richmond **BART** station and a stop for **AC Transit** bus service. Call AC Transit for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their system at **(510) 817-1717**. The BART station is steps away from the Amtrak station. Call BART for schedule information and fares at **(510) 465-2278**.

The **Richmond Museum (C)(H)** welcomes you to view a glimpse of the cities progress and triumphs with special programs, changing exhibits and a permanent history gallery. Collections include the first Model A Ford built in Richmond, memorable objects from the nearby Kaiser shipyards, "horse and buggy" era vehicles, photographs and domestic artifacts – all help tell Richmond's fascinating story. The museum is an easy fifteen minute walk from the station. Exit the parking right onto McDonald Avenue, then right onto 4th Street one block to the museum at 400 Nevin Avenue. Admission is free, but reservations are required for group tours. Call (510) 235-7387.

The **Oakland Museum of California (A)(H)(S)** is a regional museum featuring the ecology, history and art of California. There is a group admission fee and advance reservations are required. Call the museum for more information at **(510) 238-3514** or visit www.museumca.org. Take the Fremont **BART** train to the **Lake Merritt** station. The museum is only 1.5 blocks away from the BART station.

The **Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA) (A)** is a unique art museum featuring interactive art exhibits. There is a group admission fee for the hands-on workshop, but admission to the gallery is free. Reservations are required. Call the museum for more information at **(510) 465-8770**, or see their website at www.mocha.org. Take the Fremont or San Francisco **BART** train to the **12th Street/Civic Center** station. The museum is located at 538 9th Street in Oakland, only a few blocks away from the BART station.

For more information about attractions and special events, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(510) 234-3512** or visit www.rcoc.com.

SACRAMENTO (C)(E)(G)(H)(S)(T)

The **Sacramento** Amtrak Station is fully staffed and is located in the former Southern Pacific Railroad Terminal Building at 4th and I Streets in downtown Sacramento. It is only a short walk to **Old Sacramento**. Sacramento is served by an extensive public transportation system. **Regional Transit (RT)** provides bus and light rail service in the city and to surrounding areas. Call them for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their system at **(916) 321-2877**.

Old Sacramento is home to a number of museums and attractions. Among them are:

- The **California State Railroad Museum AG)(A)(C)(H)(S)(T)**, featuring one of the nation's finest interpretive exhibits of railroad history, with locomotives and railroad cars, displays and hands-on activities. Guided tours are available and there is an admission fee. In addition, the museum offers its popular **School Train Program** during selected days. The program includes a forty-minute train ride on an historic train along the Sacramento River, a tour of the Central Pacific Passenger Station and an Operation Lifesaver presentation. There is a separate admission fee for this program. Advance reservations are required for these and several other low-cost youth group tour packages that are all available through the California State Railroad Museum Foundation. Call them for more information at **(916) 322-8485** or see www.csrmf.org. See additional information at the end of the destination guide.

- Adjacent to the railroad museum is the **Discovery Museum (AG)(C)(H)(S)(T)**, located in a replica of the 1854 Sacramento City Hall and Waterworks. Artifacts, information technology, hands-on exhibits and demonstrations all come together to help in exploring and discovering the past, present and future. Probe the inner workings of computers at hands-on stations in the exhibition "Computers: Bits and Pieces." Hear the clanks, whirs and hums of farm equipment in motion at the Agricultural Technology Gallery. Walk through the ages to discover the everyday life of people in the Sacramento region, from historic Indian times, through the lavish Victorian period, to the aviation and space industries of today. There is an admission fee. Guided tours are available and advanced reservations are required. Call **(916) 575-3941**.
- At the other end of Old Sacramento is the **California Military Museum (C)(H)**, located at 1119 Second Street. It is home to more than 30,000 artifacts that include weapons, uniforms, unit records, battle flags, medals and other items of historical interest. The museum's displays cover all California periods, beginning with Spanish California, the Bear Flag Republic and early statehood, and through all the major military events of California to the current day. Guided tours are available. There is a discounted group admission fee and advanced reservations are required. For more information call **(916) 442-2883**.

Another popular attraction in Sacramento is the **California Trilogy** package. With advance reservations, the trilogy begins with a viewing of the film "Wild California" at the **Esquire Imax Theatre (A)(C)(E)(H)(S)(T)** at 1211 K Street. The film reveals some of the most dramatic views of California's wilderness and introduces the audience to spirited people who value and brave its rugged beauty and natural wonders. A teacher's guide is provided. Next, the group walks a few blocks to the **Golden State Museum (A)(AG)(C)(G)(H)** at 1020 O Street for a self guided interactive tour. The various galleries in the museum feature the people, places, politics and promises that capture the essence of California in multimedia presentations. Finally, it's a short two-block walk to the **State Capitol (A)(H)(G)** for a self-guided tour. Some Amtrak *San Joaquin* motorcoaches drop off passengers at the State Capitol upon request (be sure to note this in your reservation request), and the theatre is about a five-minute walk away. When you're finished, the Amtrak station and Old Sacramento are only about a fifteen-minute walk. Advanced reservations are required for the trilogy package and there is a discounted admission fee for the theatre and museum. Call the Esquire IMAX Theatre for reservations and other information at **(916) 446-2333, ext. 200**.

If you prefer to only visit the **Golden State Museum (C)(H)(S)**, consider all they offer in their education programs: A hands-on workshop is part of "Celebrate California's Statehood" (August 19 through November 22), which travels through time from the Spanish discovery of California to statehood. Ideal for grades 3-6); the "Time of Remembrance" program features presenters of Japanese ancestry sharing their experiences of immigration and internment during World War II. Explore the issues of citizenship, constitutionality, and concept of redress. Free teacher packet to prepare students for this thought-provoking and powerful program aimed at grades 4-12; and the "Fun With Flight" program between March 17, 2003 and May 2 for grades 3-6 teaches the four principles of flight. This program compliments "California in Flight," a special museum exhibit exploring California's role in flight and commemorating the centennial of flight. Call the museum for more information about programs and exhibits at **(916) 653-3476** or visit www.goldenstatemuseum.org.

For guided tour information at the **State Capitol**, call **(916) 324-0333**.

For more information about other attractions and special events in the city, contact the **Visitor Information Center** at **(916) 442-7644** or visit www.sacramentocvb.org.

SAN FRANCISCO(A)(E)(S)(T)

San Francisco is served by an extensive public transportation system. **BART** provides subway-type service and **Muni** provides bus, streetcar and cable car service. Call BART at **(415) 989-2278** and Muni at **(415) 673-6864** for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their systems.

Pier 39 (E) is one of San Francisco's major waterfront tourist attractions and is a stop for Amtrak motorcoaches connecting San Francisco to trains operating into and from Emeryville. With **Fisherman's Wharf** just to the west and the **Ferry Building** an easy walk east, Pier 39 is convenient for exploring San Francisco's waterfront heritage.

Now Pier 39 can be more fun for less money! Everyone in your group can receive a **Pier 39 Fun Pack** valued at **\$400** in coupons redeemable at more than 110 gift shops, restaurants and attractions at Pier 39. Upon arrival at Pier 39, take your group ticket to the California Welcome Center on the second floor to get your Fun Packs. In addition, the **Blue and Gold Fleet** offer discounted one-hour Bay Cruises to Amtrak groups. Call them for more information at **(415) 705-8214** or visit www.transitinfo.org/bluegoldfleet.

The **Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) (A)** features modern artworks from international artists, both past and present, with occasional special exhibits. It is located at the Moscone Center Complex. There is a group admission fee and advance reservations are required. For more information, call **(415) 357-4000** or visit www.sfmoma.org.

Also located near the Moscone Center motorcoach stop is the **Zeum (S)(T)**, an art and technology center offering hands-on arts exploration of animation, video production and Internet broadcasting. There is an admission fee and group reservations are recommended. Call Zeum at **(415) 777-2800** or visit their website at www.zeum.org.

The Amtrak motorcoaches can also provide direct service from Emeryville to other major San Francisco attractions such as the **Zoo**, **De Young Museum** and **Golden Gate Park** for a slight additional fare. Adjacent to the Golden Gate Park special group motorcoach stop is the **California Academy of Sciences** which features the Natural History Museum, the Steinhart Aquarium and the Morrison Planetarium. Call the Academy of Sciences at **(415) 750-7145** or see their website at www.calacademy.org. Special service to the **Exploratorium** is also available for a slight additional fare. Call the Exploratorium at **(415) 563-7337** or see their website at www.exploratorium.edu. Ask the Amtrak Group Desk operator for details about fares and schedules.

For more information about other attractions and special events in San Francisco, call the **Convention and Visitors Bureau** at **(415) 974-6900** or visit their website at www.sfvisitor.org.

STOCKTON

Amtrak's **Stockton** station is located in Central Stockton, just south of the Crosstown Freeway (Rte 4) on San Joaquin Street. The station is fully staffed for train and Amtrak motorcoach connections to Lodi and Sacramento.

Amtrak California *San Joaquin* trains stop at the central Stockton station eight times daily (four round trips) on their journeys between the Bakersfield and the Bay Area. The stops are at Wasco, Corcoran, Hanford, Fresno, Madera, Merced, Turlock/Denair, Modesto, Stockton, Antioch, Martinez, Richmond and Emeryville. Two additional daily round trips (Trains 701, 702, 704 and 704) stop in Stockton at the Altamont Commute Express (ACE) station located at N. Aurora at E. Weber Streets. No Amtrak personnel are at the ACE station and no tickets are sold there. These trains operate between Bakersfield and Sacramento, also stopping at Wasco, Corcoran, Hanford, Fresno,

Madera, Merced, Turlock/Denair, Modesto and Lodi. They do not stop at the central Stockton Amtrak station.

Stockton and the surrounding areas are served by **San Joaquin Regional Transit (SJRTD)**. Call them for schedules, fares and for group travel information on their system at **(209) 943-1111** or visit their website at www.transitinfo.org/SMART.

For information about attractions and special events, contact the **Convention & Visitors Bureau** at **(800) 350-1987** or visit their website at www.ssjcvb.org.

TURLOCK/DENAIR

The Amtrak station at **Denair**, located at Santa Fe Avenue and Elm Street, serves the Turlock/Denair area, including the California State University, Stanislaus campus. The Denair station is a small unstaffed station and no services are available. **Bus Line Service of Turlock (BLST)** provides public transportation from the station (with advance reservations) to most locations within the Turlock area. Call them for schedules, fares and group arrangements at **(209) 668-5600**.

For information about attractions and special events in the city, contact the **Convention and Visitor Bureau** at **(209) 632-2221** or visit their website at www.visitturlock.org.

WASCO

The **Wasco** stop is unstaffed and there is no public transportation available.

For more information about attractions and special events in the city, contact the **Chamber of Commerce** at **(661) 758-2746** or visit their website at www.ci.wasco.ca.us.

